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**INL nuclear leaders elected to American Nuclear Society Board of Directors**

IDAHO FALLS – Two nuclear leaders at the U.S. Department of Energy's Idaho National Laboratory have been elected to the American Nuclear Society (ANS) Board of Directors.

John Sackett, Ph.D., and Joy Rempe, Ph.D., will be installed at the ANS Annual Conference in Atlanta next week. Rempe and Sackett are two of the five elected by ANS membership for 2009.

Sackett is a senior adviser at INL, with 37 years experience in nuclear technology development. He was formerly the site manager of Argonne National Laboratory (ANL)-West in Idaho and director of the EBR-II division before becoming the associate director for Engineering Research at ANL. Sackett has spent his career in advanced reactor development, especially sodium-cooled fast reactors and was the originator of the operational-safety test program at EBR-II which led to the Inherent Safety Demonstration Tests in 1986.

With over 20 years of experience in reactor safety analysis and high temperature testing, Rempe is currently a group leader within High Temperature Testing and Instrumentation Development at INL. She is responsible for instrumentation development efforts to enhance testing in INL's Advanced Test Reactor National Scientific User Facility, as well as providing severe accident consulting to several vendors certifying advanced reactor designs. In 2005, Rempe was elected to the status of ANS Fellow for her reactor severe accident research.

The American Nuclear Society is a not-for-profit, international, scientific and educational organization. Established in 1954, the core purpose of ANS is to promote the awareness and understanding of the application of nuclear science and technology. ANS membership is composed of approximately 11,000 engineers, scientists, administrators, and educators representing 1,600 plus corporations, educational institutions, and government agencies. It is governed by four officers and the board of directors elected by the membership.

INL is one of the DOE's 10 multi-program national laboratories. The laboratory performs work in each of the strategic goal areas of DOE: energy, national security, science and environment. INL is the nation's leading center for nuclear energy research and development. Day-to-day management and operation of the laboratory is the responsibility of Battelle Energy Alliance.

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